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MANILA FOR CHENEY

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SUBJECT: US/PHILIPPINES TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

1. DCM AT PHILIPPINE EMBASSY AT BRUSSELS, WILFREDO VEGA, ASKED MISSION OFFICER TO PASS MESSAGES TO STEPHEN LANDE IN STR AND ECONCOUNS EDWARD CHENEY AT AMEMBASSY MANILA. VEGA PLANS TO BE IN MANILA FOR ABOUT THREE WEEKS BEGINNING ABOUT SEPTEMBER 28 FOR THE IBRD/IFM ANNUAL MEETING AND OTHER MEETINGS. VEGA, WHO IS CHAIRMAN OF THE PHILIPPINE PANEL OF THE US/PHILIPPINE TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, SUGGESTS THIS WILL BE GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO HOLD A NEGOTIATING SESSION ON US/PHILIPPINE TRADE AGREEMENT. VEGA SUGGESTS THAT LANDE CAN CALL HIM AT THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN BRUSSELS (TEL: 672-33-73) FROM 3-5:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME ON SEPTEMBER 20-24. IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE, CHENEY CAN REACH HIM AT THE GOP FOREIGN MINISTRY THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

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2. VEGA ADDED THAT REGARDING TRADE NEGOTIATIONS THE GOP CAN BE

"FLEXIBLE" TOWARD TRADE ISSUES BUT IT CANNOT CHANGE ITS POSITION TOWARD U.S. PROPOSED "NON-DISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT" OF FOREIGN PRIVATE DIRECT INVESTMENT. VEGA WILL BE RETURNING FROM MANILA IN MID-OCTOBER, AT WHICH TIME HE COULD POSSIBLY STOP IN WASHINGTON SHOULD THIS BE CONVENIENT. HINTON

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